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SUNDAY'S GALLUP POLL ON CUBA SHOWS MAJORITY APPROVAL, BUT PARTISAN DIFFERENCES

The Gallup Poll release for Sunday, February 24 is headed: "Since McNamara Report To Public, Administration Wins Public's Support For Handling Of Cuba; But Vote Reflects Partisan Controversy."

This poll, it may be noted, shows appreciably greater party differences than did the recent Gallup Poll on Foreign Aid, or the recent poll on Ambassador Stevenson's handling of his job at the UN.

Results of these polls are given below. The question in the latest poll, "completed since the Defense Department's Report to the Public on Cuba," follows.

"In general, would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the way the Kennedy Administration has been handling the Cuba situation in recent weeks?"

	National	Democrats	Independents	Republicans
<u>CUBA</u>				
Satisfied	56%	69%	55%	36%
Dissatisfied	28	16	29	48
No opinion	16	15	16	16
<u>FOREIGN AID</u>				
For aid--in general	58%	59%	61%	54%
Against--in general	30	26	28	35
No opinion	12	13	11	11
<u>STEVENSON</u>				
Approve handling	64%	72%	59%	58%
Disapprove	11	6	12	19
No opinion	25	22	29	23

The difference between self-styled Democrats and Republicans in approval of aid is 5%, in approval of "the way Adlai Stevenson is handling his job as Ambassador to the United Nations," 14%, and in approval on handling of the Cuba situation is 33%.

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